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TAGS: ETRD, GATT, US, EEC

SUBJECT: US GRAIN RIGHTS UNDER STANDSTILL AGREEMENTS

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REF: EC BRUSSELS 3467

DELIVER AMBASSADOR GREENWALD, MYERSON BY 8:30 A. M. BRUSSELS TIME.

1. UPON RECEIPT OF REPLY TO HARTMAN/ HIJZEN LETTER OF MARCH 9, 1973, MISSION IS REQUESTED TO MEET WITH APPROPRIATE COMMISSION OFFICIALS ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30 IN BRUSSELS TO BEGIN FORMALLY REPEAT FORMALLY THE NEGOTIATIONS. WE HOPE THAT AMBASSADOR GREENWALD COULD HEAD THE U. S. DELEGATION. RECOMMEND THAT DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING BE SETTLED AT A LATER TIME IN VIEW HEAVY NEGOTIATING SCHEDULES BOTH FOR EC AND US. IN JULY. U. S. WOULD HOPE, HOWEVER, TO HAVE SUBSTANTIVE MEETING BEFORE AUGUST RECESS.

2. MEETING MAY BE OPENED WITH A REVIEW OF HISTORY OF AGREEMENT. THE U. S. RETAINS CERTAIN NEGOTIATING RIGHTS FOR WHEAT, COURSE GRAINS AND RICE UNDER TWO STANDSTILL AGREEMENTS WITH THE EEC SIGNED MARCH 7, 1962. THE MISSION SHOULD STATE THAT WE UNDERSTAND THE NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD TAKE PLACE ON THE BASIS OF THE TERMS OF THESE AGREEMENTS,

IN PARTICULAR PARAGRAPHS BII AND BIV OF THE QUALITY WHEAT AGREEMENT AND PARAGRAPH B OF THE AGREEMENT ON CORN, SORGHUM, ORDINARY WHEAT, AND RICE. THESE PARAGRAPHS MAY THEN BE QUOTED.

3. THE MISSION MAY STATE THAT U. S. DOES NOT AGREE WITH THE EC STATEMENT THAT THE U. S. AND THE EC HAVE NOTHING OF SUBSTANCE TO NEGOTIATE ON. THE MISSION MAY INFORM COMMISSION THAT AT THE NEXT MEETING WE PLAN TO PRESENT OUR ANALYSIS BASED ON OUR " STANDSTILL " RIGHTS REMAINING FROM THE 1960-61 ARTICLE XXIV:6 NEGOTIATIONS (WHICH ARE EMBODIED IN THE TWO AGREEMENTS).

4. MISSION MAY REMIND COMMISSION THAT PROCEDURES UNDER ARTICLE 28 DO NOT DEPEND ON A DEMONSTRATION OF DAMAGE TO OUR TRADE, BUT ON OUR LEGAL RIGHTS TO BINDINGS WHICH HAVE BEEN WITHDRAWN.

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